# Education Team March 3, 2015 9:15

Members Present: Elery Keene, Susan MacKenzie, Bonnie Sammons, Linda Woods

Rotary has a speaker every Monday. <nicoleraymond@mailserviceclubrunner.ca>

- Maybe John could speak in October?
- Maybe Tom Tietenberg speaking about Efficiency Maine?

Bonnie said John is thinking of reviving the district energy project.

Elery summarized a conversation that he had with Mike Stoddard about electricity capacity availability for Waterville area. Mike Stoddard said that it might soon be necessary for Central Maine Power Company to construct additional wires capacity to get electricity to the greater Waterville area. When this happened recently for the Boothbay area, Efficiency Maine made this construction unnecessary by using Efficiency Maine funds to subsidize construction of generation capacity in the area to meet the electricity demand. This electricity was generated by alternate methods such as solar panels instead of by fossil fuel. Mike Stoddard indicated that it might be possible to do this for the Waterville area as well. He has talked to Mike H and John about this.

## Women's Wellness, Saturday, March 28 at Thomas College

#### Action Item:

Gale & Bonnie: Plan a creative use for the tri-fold

### Speakers' Series

- John & Linda solved the key problem, so the events can be held in City Council Chambers.
- Decided on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month as a target date
- 6:30 8:00
- April 15

The Spring Arrivals of Maine Migratory Birds—Professor Herb Wilson, the Leslie Brainerd Arey Professor of BioSciences

I will discuss the impact of Temperature on the arrival dates of migratory birds. Comparison to arrival dates of over 100 years ago will shed light on the impact of climate change on migration.

- Skipping July & August
- By March 23, we need to make a flier. Bonnie will do this.

### Action Items:

Bonnie: Connect with Lisa Fernandez for May Bonnie: Contact FedCo for donated plants

Bonnie: Contact Michael Douglas (Maine Primitive Skills School) for June

Bonnie: Contact Kate Newkirk about a permaculture speaker

Linda: Contact John about funding the publicity for April 15 (cc Bonnie)

## **Green Power**

Linda read a message about Green Power. We decided to invite Kay Mann to a meeting on April 23. Elery summarized the ISO New England system.

## **Action Item:**

Linda: Invite Kay Mann to the April meeting

Linda: Ask Mike H to attend this meeting if he is available

The next meeting will be March 26 at 9:00 in the IT Room (City Hall).

## Agenda:

Publicity surrounding Herb's talk

Finalize Women's Wellness

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Kay Mann's presentation